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Masses this weekend:

Sunday 1st Januray: 9.00 a.m. Pro Populo. Sunday 1st Januray 11.30 a.m. Pat Beirne.

WISHING YOU

BEAUTIFUL MOMENTS, TREASURED MEMORIES,
AND ALL THE BLESSINGS A HEART CAN KNOW.

Happy
New
Year



Soleminity of Mary Mother of Jesus

Masses: Monday 2nd January — Sunday 8th January 2017

Monday	12 noon	Enda Moore.
Tuesday	7.00 p.m.	Mark McGovern.
Wednesday	7.00 p.m.	
Thursday	12 noon	(Convent)
Thursday	8.00 p.m.	Patrick & Catherine Lynch. (Parish Church)
Friday	11.30 a.m.	(Parish Church.)
Friday	7.00 p.m.	(Convent)
Saturday	10.00 a.m.	
Saturday	8.00 p.m.	The deceased members of the McGovern Family.
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Pro Populo.
Sunday	11.30 a.m.	Peggy McTigue.

Ministers of the Word

Vigil: Arlene Beirne, Maria McGrenaghan, Eoin Guckian, Sarah McLoughlin.

11.30: Marian Rynn & Michael O'Rourke.

Convent: C

Altar Society: Month of JanuaryGroup A

Eucharistic Ministers: B

Offertory Collection for Christmas : €3620.00 Thank you.

In your kindness we ask your prayers for **Bridget Flanagan, mother of Maureen McGourty, Dristernan** who was laid to rest during the week. May she rest in peace forever.

A New Year Begins:

A New Year is a time to pause, take a breath and pray our thanks as we close the door on 2016

As a parish family we are blessed to have two religious communities to share their care and prayer with us each day. We thank God for the presence of the Poor Clare Sisters and the Mercy Sisters in our midst. Again we would like to welcome Sr. Jemma who has come from the Philippines, to share our life of prayer with us. We pray that she feels at home among us. We remember with affection and gratitude Sr. Veronica and Sr. Joseph at this time also.

On Christmas week our Pastoral Council visited those of the parish who are in Nursing homes and hospitals with a small gift. I hope they know they are not forgotten.

Their names are on the Altar for Mass during these Christmas days.

The Eucharistic Ministers went to the housebound on Christmas Day. This is a reminder of the place they still have at the heart of our prayer.

Twenty Two babies were baptized in our Parish this past year. Each baby is a unique gift a promise and a hope for their own family and the family of our parish.

Sadly we bid farewell to eighteen members of our parish family in the last year.

We remember them fondly. We remember their families at this time.

We all share in their sense of loss as we did once again in a profound way this past week.

Many people contribute to the care and the prayer in our parish.

All of our choirs bring so much joy on the happy days and bring comfort and hope on the sad days. The readers, ministers of the Eucharist, servers, collectors and counters, sacristans, altar society and the stewards all contribute to make our church a place of welcome and warmth for all who come to pray.

There are so many voluntary groups and people of kindness and faith who help to make our parish a place of hospitality, kindness and friendship. This I have experienced time and time again from all of you. It is indeed a privilege to share in your life, laughter and sorrow and to be "Your Priest". I thank you for that trust and kindness.

I pray the new year of 2017 will bring you each day into the heart of the mystery, the mystery that is our God, of endless compassion who comes to make His home with us at Christmas and every day this coming year.